(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Secondary Education Act

72 Q.—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to bring in a Secondary Education Act in the State; and

(b) if so, the stage at which the matter now stands?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: Will the Government remember that there was a proposal to bring in this Act and may I know why it has been given up?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Some time back there was a proposal, but that has been given up.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: May I know the reasons why the Government have dropped it?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Government are not satisfied that that would be the best arrangement.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: Will the Government give statutory safeguard to the teacher as Government had promised on the floor of this House that such a provision would be included in this Act?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Government have reconsidered the whole position and they are of the view that no statutory provision should be made regarding secondary education.

Consumers' Co-operative Stores for Government Servants

* 73 Q.—VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to start Consumers' Co-operative Stores for Government Servants; and

(b) if so, the stage at which the matter now stands?

THE HON. SRI N. S. S. MANRADIAR: (a) & (b) There are already thirty-four (34) Consumers' Co-operative Stores in this State formed exclusively for the benefit of Government employees.

(அ) & (இ) சர்க்கார் ஊழியர்களுக்காக மட்டும் இந்த ராஜ்யத்தில் ஏற்கனவே முப்பத்தி நான்கு (34) கூட்டுறவு பண்டகசாலைகள் இருக்கின்றன.